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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION

OF: ANGEL ET AL.

CONFIRMATION No.: 2188

SERIAL No. 09/767,821

GROUP ART UNIT: 1617

FILED: JANUARY 24, 2001

EXAMINER: LAUREN Q. WELLS

FOR: PROCESS FOR PREPARING WATER-SOLUBLE OR WATER-DISPERSIBLE POLYETHER-CONTAINING POLYMERS AND THE USE THEREOF AS COATING AGENTS, BINDERS AND/OR FILM-FORMING EXCIPIENTS IN PHARMACEUTICAL DOSAGE FORMS OR PACKAGING MATERIALS OR AS ADDITIVES IN COSMETIC, DERMATOLOGICAL OR HYGIENIC PREPARATIONS

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REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In reply to the Office action of July 14, 2004, it is respectfully requested that the following and the attached be entered and considered in the above-identified application:

R E M A R K S

Claims 1 to 3 and 10 as set forth in Appendix I of applicants' paper dated December 16, 2003 (date of the Certificate of Mailing), are currently pending in this case. Claims 1 to 3 and 10 stand rejected